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To: Rockeman, Karl H.; 'Wax, Peter N.'
Subject: Blacktail Ck - recon activities

Karl and Pete,

## A couple items to inform you of:

- 1. Little Muddy R. I have coordinated with USACE who is borrowing a boat to recon above the confluence with MO river / Lake Sakakawea. This is likely to occur Tuesday sometime pending USACE assessment of water conditions. We have one USCG member onsite right now who will join on that. The objective is simply to resolve whether there is any residual oil present possibly from entrainment in the ice or backwater areas.
- 2. MO River / Sakakawea below the confluence is a second area that has been identified as one of concern and we may pursue to recon depending on conditions. This would require and Air Boat and I have inquired on the availability of one in Williston for later this week yet to be arrange / confirmed. If we determine it's appropriate, then we would discuss with Summit their willingness to contract the service. If not, then we would need to decide on that from our contracting options.
- 3. Blacktail Ck- Njos property recon: Apparently the ability to complete any recon or SCAT on one of the Njos properties is stalled pending access issues being resolved. I would like to contact the owner but currently do not have his (assume it's Larry not Ron) phone number. My proposal is to allow USCG and NDDOH (if you want to join) the opportunity to do a quick recon of the creek banks to assess the potential level of oiling, and associated work to remove it. We could decide if this would be done as a "SCAT" process as Stantec outlined or not. Let me know if you want to make the first contact or if you want me to do that.

I am available after a call at 0900 MT, and then we have something at 1 PM also.

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